

7-16-96

Popky Collins 12:08 P.M.

Tandy Furniture 283-2140

Post Office 9:00 A.M. - 2:05 P.M.

Carmel Rigby

2 - F/m mod complexion

Brice - Buck Ponti - Chev.

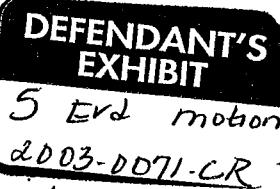
Older car

Dusty

Last seen walking toward.

Tandy's tip 9:15 - 9:20 A.M.

May car identify



Received from Porky Collins

7-17-96.

H. W. Miller B-12

WAL-MART

WE SELL FOR LESS

ALWAYS!

STORE #0215

WINONA, MS

ST# 0215 DP# 00000026 TE# 91 TR# 02312
SPARKPLUG 00366623999 7.02 J
SUBTOTAL 7.02
SALES TAX 1 0.49
TOTAL 7.51
CASH TEND 7.51
CHANGE DUE 0.00

TC# 52232945652437
THANK YOU FOR SHOPPING AT WAL-MART
7/18/96 09:43:30

A.M. 7-17-96
945
Collins H.W.M.

8-24-96 W.P.C. S.A.T. J.M.J. W.M.

Porky Collins.

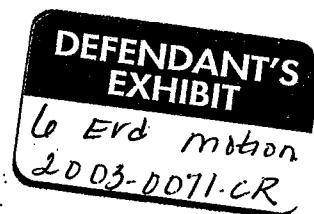
Picture line-up 11:10 A.M.

#1 & #3 RESEMBLES, but hairline was further back.
#6 Pointed to Simpson said Hair-line like this
may have appeared a little darker.

"But it looks like him."

"Face was also same shape, round like this"

"Unable to be positive".



2nd Line-up.

8-24-96

J.M.J.
W.M.

11:16 A.M.

#4

Pointed to Curtis Flowers

"I think that's him."

"He was about my height"

"I'm 5'10"

"The complexion is also right."

"I believe that's him, it look like him."

I identified #4.

I asked Porky if he knew Curtis Flowers,
he said, "No." But I know the person
I just identified is the person I saw in
front of Tardy's 7-16-96.

11:00

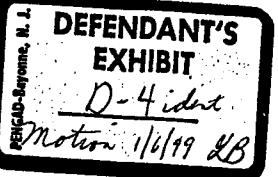
mr. collins was shown the
8-24-96. 1st. Photo line up, was unable
to I.D. anyone but said #1 + #
3 looked like the guy he saw 7-16-96

11:15 2nd. Line up mr. Collins indicates
that photo #4 was the
guy he saw in front of Tuck's
July 16 1996. at approx 09:45 to 09:55 A.
5'10" mr. collins said that

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EXHIBIT

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STATEMENT OF PORKY COLLINS

Today's date is March 10, 1997. The following is a voluntary statement from Charles "Porky" Collins. The location is the District Attorney's office in Winona, Mississippi. This statement is given to John Johnson, Investigator with the District Attorney's office.

Johnson: Mr. Collins, I would like for you to speak loud and clear for the tape. I would ask you to direct your attention back to July 16, 1996. Just tell us what led you to be downtown Winona and what you did that morning.

Collins: I got up first thing that morning and I had to go to the bank. I had to pay my gas bill, and I had to go by Hunger's Dry Cleaners. I had brought my car down to Don Mitchell's. I had picked up a set of spark plugs for it, left it. I come back up the road, I went to the bank. When I got pasted the front of the Merchants and Farmers, I had to go inside the bank. I looked at my watch, I mean the clock on the car radio. It had 8:59 on it. I said, 'Well, the bank don't open until 9:00 o'clock. I had to go by the post office and get a money order, so I stopped at the post office and I went in and got me a money order. When I went in the post office it was around 9 O'clock or a few minutes after nine. I filled my money order out and I mailed it. When I started out the door, out though the little breeze way there in the front of the post office, I met Carmen Rigby going out. She spoke to me and I spoke to her. We talked a second or two there and we walked down the steps talking to each other, walked across the street. My car was parked right behind her car or whose evercar, it was a grey Oldsmobile Cutlass. She stood there talking. We were having a casual conversation there. she had some literature in her arms and her purse was hanging over her shoulder, and she had some keys on her ring finger because when she was talking she was moving her hands and everything and those keys were jingling a little bit. We talked there for a minute or two, exactly how long, I don't know. She got in her car and I got in mine. There was not a car parked in front of her or nothing and I was pretty close to her, right in front of the Baptist Church. I said, Well, I will just wait until she takes off there because she had cranked the car up and put it in gear because the back up light had come on and went off. I said when she pulls out I will pull out too and I will go pay my gas bill. She looked over in the mirror and took her hand and fluffed her hair up. She looked in the mirror, pulled out in the street, and I was right behind her. I was not going too fast. I was going to turn in and pay my gas bill and I pasted the street, so I said, well I'll go on down to the dry cleaners and then I will come back by and pay my gas bill. When I got down to front street there, she had already made her turn. I was several cars behind her because I was not driving very fast. I turned to the right to go to Hunger's Dry Cleaners. When I got down in front of Tardy Furniture Company I happened to glance off to the right there and she was fixing to go in the door and she waved at me. I went on down to Hunger's Dry Cleaners. There was a bunch of cars there so I just made the circle and went on back up and paid my gas bill. I went on back to the house. I was going to stop at the bank, but I did not. I forgot it. I turned down Church Street, when I paid my gas bill, I turned down Church Street there and went on to the house. When I got in my wife told me that Don Mitchell had called and said I had the wrong spark plugs to go in the car. So I run down there and got those spark plugs and to Wal-Mart and picked up a few spark plugs and run them down there. I stopped by the house. My wife asked me, "Did you go to the dry cleaners?" I said, "No, I did not." I said, "I will go right now." So I got in my car, went back up Highway 51, went down Summit Street, (I guess that is Summit

Street down there in front of the bank, post office and everything). I turned by the dry cleaners there and when I turned down by the dry cleaners (Inaudible) I happened to see these two black men. One of them was standing in front of the middle of the hood of the car, he had both hands on the hood. The other man was standing at the door of the car with one hand on top of the car and one hand on the door of the car. He mad a jester with his hand there. If it had not been for that, I probably never would have noticed it. I just for one split second, I got a glimpse, I got a look at him. I went on down. Instead of stopping at the cleaners, I turned and went back up the street. I guess I was being nosy or something, to see what was going on. They were acting like they were sort of arguing a little bit. I got back up almost even with the car. I could see them but I could not tell that much about them because there were cars parked there and a tree right there by the car. The one on the front of the car made a turn to the north. I was coming from the South, going to the North, he made a turn to the North. I never seen his face, all I seen was more or less from the back of him, every time I seen him. The other one pushed the door to and they headed to the other side of the street. I went on up and turned down Summitt Street, when I got to Church Street, I was going to go to the bank, but I had left the papers that I had had, I had left them at home, so I went down Church Street and went home. When I went home. I was in there getting some stuff. I had changed shoes. I was sitting there putting my shoes on and it come in on the scanner about all the law and everything coming down to Tardy Furniture Company. I went out there and told my wife, "Something must have happened up there. I am fixing to go to the cleaners, I'll go by there." I come down Highway 407 and right up Church Street and turned in front of Avis' Beauty shop there. When I got down in front of Weed's Body Shop and that little street coming out right there, James Taylor was coming out that street. I guess he was going around to the front of the store. I said. "James Taylor what is happening?" He said, "It is something bad happened here. I don't know exactly what has happened. Something bad has happened here." He asked me where I was going and I said I was going to the cleaners but there ain't no way I can get to the cleaners now. He said, "If you go down that way, go by P & F and tell my wife and Tracey to be careful, something bad has done happened here. I said, "Well, I am gone now." He directed me on through and I went down and turned up through beside the railroad track and come back out just above where Donald Cross lives, right there, took a left and went to P & F, went in there and told them that, and I said, "Well, I might better run over there and tell Fuzzy over at the chicken place. That is my brother-in-law. You don't ever know what is going to happen. I went in over there and told him. He said, "That is something funny. There was a man just come in here awhile ago, he was wringing wet, he said somebody broke in his car down at Angelica and stole a pistol out of his car, a 380 Automatic. I said, "Well, ya'll be careful. I walked back over to P & F. When I walked back over there, I might have stayed over there, I don't know how long, I did not stay long. James Taylor was pulling up in front out there. He told me that they had had some people killed there and that, I believe he said that they thought it was a 380 automatic that was used. I am not sure how that was brought up, but anyway, I said, "That is something funny. I just talked to Fuzzy over there and he said a man come in over there and said a man come in over there and said somebody stole a 380 automatic out of his car down there at Angelica." James Taylor got in his car and went over there and talked to him. That is when I told him that I had talked to him. He asked me about what time it was and I said "Well I have got a copy of a money order receipt there. I will have to go get it. I have put it up at the house, and I have a sales slip from Wal-Mart." I went and got the sales slip from Wal-Mart and the one from the post office. I went down, come back up Church Street, and I went in there and that is when I talked to ya'll and

showed ya'll.

Johnson: Myself and Jack Matthews.

Collins: Right, I can't remember what the man's name was but that is who I talked to.

Johnson: Going back to the 16th again, I want to ask you about the car. You said something about the car.

Collins: Beige Brown. It was a beige brown looking car. It was real dirty. It had a lot of dust on it. Tail lights went all the way across the back of it. It was full tail lights. It was not just a tail light here and a tail light there. They went all the way across the back of it.

Johnson: You said that when you last saw these people they turned toward the store. Did you see them walk to the store?

Collins: The only thing I done was I seen them turn. They turned. The one in the front of the car turned to the north headed across the street and the other one closed the door and headed that way. I went on up and made my turn. where they went from there I have no idea. I really did not pay that much attention to it.

Johnson: Porky, I think on August 24, 1996, Wayne Miller with the Highway Patrol and myself showed you a picture line-up, showed you two actually, the first one at 11:10 A. M. that morning we showed you a picture line-up and in that picture line up you pointed to number 6, correct me if I am wrong. You said that the hair line was like this. It may have been a little darker, but he may have appeared to be a little darker, but it looks like him. You also said that the face was also the same shape or round like this, but you were unable to make a positive identification on that line up. Is that correct?

Collins: That is correct.

Johnson: At 11:16 A. M. you were shown a second line up and in that second lineup you pointed to No. 4 and said, "I think that it is him. He was about my height. I am 5'10". The complexion is also right. I believe that is him. It looks like him."

Collins: That is correct.

Johnson: After you made this identification on the second line up, I asked you the question, 'Do you know Curtis Flowers?' Do you remember that?

Collins: Yes.

Johnson: What was your response?

Collins: I didn't know Curtis Flowers then and I don't know Curtis Flowers now.

Johnson: But did you go on to say that you knew that the man that you identified in that

line up was the same man you saw in front of Tardy's on July 16, 1996?

Collins: The man's picture that I picked out in that line up right there was the man that I seen there in front of Tardy's Furniture Company.

Johnson: That will conclude the statement. The time is now 11:04 A. M.